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# GLADIOLI

For Fall and Winter Delivery 1907-8

Our collection of GLADIOLI is conceded to be the largest and finest in the world. Their cultivation is our leading specialty, having between 100 and 200 acres devoted to them.

### NAMED VARIETIES

We pay particular attention to the production and introducing of named varieties of merit, and we keep our stock true to name. We employ only experts who are familiar with all varieties from long association with this king of summer-blooming bulbs.

### "AMERICA"

is still the leading Gladiolus for every purpose and will be for a long time to come.

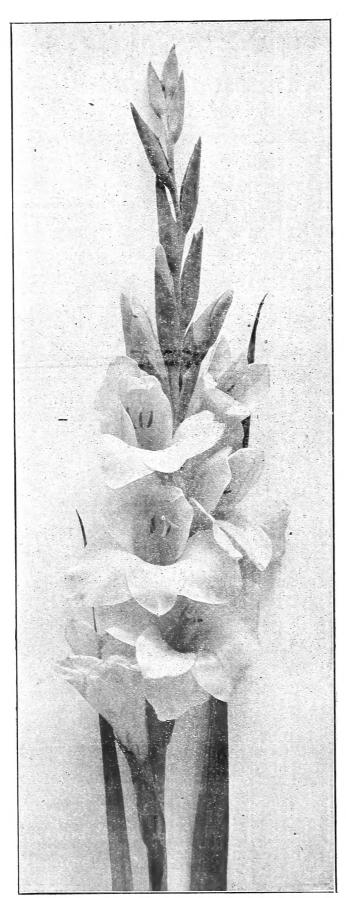
Complete Catalogue of all Varieties Ready October, 1907

### TERMS

All bills are due January 1st and June 1st. New customers must give satisfactory reference or enclose cash with order. 10 bulbs at 100 rates; 250 at 1000 rates. 8 per cent. discount for cash with order. 5 per cent for cash in 30 days. All goods travel at risk of consignee. Barrels and packing extra at cost.

### JOHN LEWIS CHILDS

Floral Park, N. Y., U. S. A.



GLADIOLUS "AMERICA"

An electro like the above free with an order for Bulbs.

# Gladioli

That are the Cream of the World's Production.

## "AMERICA"

By far the most vigorous and easily-grown Gladiolus known. Strong and healthy, with luxuriant dark-green foliage and a freedom of growth and flowering surpassing all others. It is the florists variety of to-day.

Flowers. Spikes two to three feet long, erect with a great number of large spreading blossoms, all facing one way and showing a color the delicacy and beauty of which it is impossible to describe or reproduce. It is an exquiste soft lavender pink, very light, almost a tinted white; the color is the same as seen in the most exquisite Cattleya Orchids. No color like it in any other Gladiolus; none half so beautiful. For florists use and for bedding it is without a rival.

\$7.50 per 100; \$60.00 per 1000; \$250.00 per 5000.

Blue Jay (Baron Hulot)—The finest blue Gladiolus yet seen. It is a rich, deep color of an indigo shade. The only real blue Gladiolus on the market, and a very valuable addition to the list of extra fine Gladiolus.

\$15.00 per 100.

Attraction—Deep, dark, rich crimson with a very conspicuous large pure white center and throat. At once a most beautiful and attractive sort.

\$12.00 per 100.

**Contrast**—Flowers of great substance and a beautiful compact spike of perfect form. Color intense scarlet with a large, distinct pure white center which is neither tinted or mottled. One of the most striking and beautiful Gladiolus ever introduced.

\$15.00 per 100.

**Canary Bird**—This without doubt is the best yellow variety next to Sulphur King. A pure canary yellow that is very pleasing and attractive.

\$7.00 per 100; \$50.00 per 1000.

**Irene**—Fine large flower and spike. Color a fine shade of pink freely flaked bright crimson.

\$10.00 per 100; \$90.00 per 1000.

Mrs. Francis King—One of the newer varieties of merit. Color of flower is a light scarlet of a pleasing shade which attracts attention at once. Flowers are large and are borne on long spikes.

\$5.00 per 100; \$40.00 per 1000.

Princeps—(The Amaryllis-Flowered Gladiolus). Color: Rich crimson with broad white blotches across the lower petals, making it a most striking variety.

\$10.00 per 100.

## Gladiolus Collections for Catalogue Trade.

The bulbs we offer are true to name and will be as near uniform in size as possible.

### Equal number of each sort in a Collection must be ordered

### "Top Notch" Collection.

#### EACH ONE IS A GEM

AMERICA-Exquisite soft lavender pink, the most beautiful color vet seen in Gladiolus.

Attraction-Deep, dark, rich crimson with a very conspicuous large pure white center and throat. At once a most beautiful and attractive sort.

Blanche-Large flowers, pure snow white, with but faint

Blue Jay-The finest blue Gladiolus yet seen. rich, deep color of an indigo shade. The only real blue Gladiolus on the market.

Cardinal—Perfect flower and spike, very large and the brightest, cleanest and most intense cardinal scarlet yet Very rich and showy and by all odds the very finest light-colored sort vet seen.

Contrast-Flowers of great substance and a beautiful compact spike of perfect form, Color intense scarlet with a large, distinct pure white center which is neither tinted or mottled. One of the most striking and beautiful Gladiolus ever introduced.

Irene—Fine large flower and spike. Color a fine shade of pink freely flaked bright crimson.

Melrose-White flaked pink, bright crimson centre. Very large and fine.

OCTOROON—A beautiful salmon-pink; very distinct. Sulphur King-Beautiful clean, sulphur yellow, finest and clearest of yellow sorts.

Variabilis-Enormous size and vigor, standing nearly seven feet high with the largest spike ever seen on any Gladiolus. But this is not the only great merit. The flowers range in color from dull deep pink, flaked with blue-black, to a solid blue-black color of smoky hue, flaked with pink. Some spikes will be one color and some the other, while flowers of both colors are often seen on the same spike. Throat mottled white.

Wm. Falconer--Spike of great length and flowers of enormous size. Beautiful clear light pink.

\$10.00 per 100.

### "Gem" Collection.

#### CONSISTING OF THE GANDAVENSIS STRAIN.

Augusta--White, with blue anthers. Canary Bird-Fine yellow. Corsair-Intense dark and velvety scarlet. Emma Thursby—White ground, carmine stripes.
Eugene Scribe—Tender Rose, blazed carmine-red. Glory of Brightwood—Scarlet, lemon throat. Mrs. Krelage-Fiery-red, white throat, veined carmine Thalia—White, flamed and streaked with carmine.

\$4.00 per 100; \$35.00 per 1000. 250 of each at 1000 rate.

### "Popular" Collection

Standard Varieties that have stood the test of time.

AUGUSTA-Lovely pure white, with blue anthers. BRENCHLEYENSIS - Vermillion-scarlet, fine old variety.

**CERES**--Pure white, spotted with purplish rose. Columbia - Light orange-scarlet, freely blotched and

penciled with blush-purple. Throat freely mottled. **EMMA THURSBY—**White ground; carmine stripes through petals; blotch on the lower division.

Florida—Deep dark-red. Very early.

Glory of Brightwood—Scarlet; with lemon throat.

Henry Gillman-Deep salmon-scarlet, with pure white bands; the throat showing peculiar mottling.

LAMARCK (DE)—Cherry, lightly tinted orange blazed with red, center is very well lighted, with large, pure white stain.

Mme. Lemoiner—White with lemon tinge. crimson centre.

Prolific Pink—A good pink of remarkably free growth. REINE BLANCHE—Pure white, dark carmine blotch.

\$2.00 per 100; \$18.00 per 1000. 250 of each at 1000 rate.

### "Star" Collection

consisting of the celebrated Childsi strain. Generally conceded to be the best and most popular strain on the market.

AMERICA—Flesh pink.

Attraction—Rich crimson, pure white throat.

Cardinal—Intense cardinal-scarlet.

Irene—Pink, flaked crimson.

Little Blush—Dwarf habit, compact spike of a blush white.

Nezinscott—Blood scarlet, very fine. Salem-Fine salmon-pink, maroon blotches.

Variabilis-Blue-black flaked with pink, very odd.

\$7.00 per 100; \$60.00 per 1000. 250 of each at 1000 rate.

### "U. S. Flag" Collection

Red, White and Blue.

Princeps—Red.

Blanche-White.

Blue Jay - (Baron Hulot)-Blue.

\$12.00 per 100.

### LEADING NAMED GLADIOLI

Childsi.		7	Per	Per	Per
Per	Per	Per	100	1000	5000
AMERICA I de con desk sink	1000	5000	<b>CANARY BIRD</b> —Finest yellow 7.0 <b>CERES</b> —Pure white, spotted with	0 50.00	
AMERICA—Large flower, flesh pink. beautiful \$7.50	\$60.00\$	\$250.00	purplish rose	0 12.00	55,00
Brilliant—Beautiful orange-red with			EMMA THURSBY — White ground; carmine stripes through		
carmine and white throat 5.00 Columbia—Light orange-scarlet, free-	40.00		petals 3.0	0 20.00	90.00
ly blotched and penciled with blu-	-6 00	<b>*</b> 0.00	<b>EUĜENE SCRIBE</b> —Flowers very large and wide; perfect tender		
ish-purple. Throat freely mottled. 2.00 <b>Deborah</b> — Dark red, tinged with	10,00	70.00	rose, blazed carmine-red 5.0	0 40.00	
amaranth. Very large pure white			GEN. PHIL SHERIDAN — Fiery red, white line running		
throat and blotches, white band through petals 4.00	30,00		through each petal 3.0	0 25.00	
Eva —Beautiful rose shaded and mark-			Glory of Brightwood — Scarlet; with lemon throat 4.0		
ed with slate. Throat mottled 5.00 Florida—Deep dark-red. Very early. 2.00	40.00	65.00	ISAAC BUCHANAN—Very fine	, 30.00	
Henry Gillman—Deep salmon-scar-			yellow 5.0  JOHN BULL—White, slightly tin-	0 40.00	1
let, with pure white bands 2.00 Little Blush—Dwarf habit, compact	15.00	65.00	ted with sulphur 3.0	0 25.00	
spike of a blush white 3.00	25.00		LAMARCK (DE)—Cherry, lightly tinted with orange blazed with		
Nezinscott — Bright blood scarlet, with deep velvety crimson-black			red, center is very well lighted,		
blotches and white mottlings in			with large, pure white stain 1.5	12.00	50.00
throat	40 00		madame monneret—Delicate rose	0 15.00	
suffused with purple-blue. Large			MayA lovely pure white flower, fine-	25.00	
distinct white marks	25,00		ly flaked bright rosy crimson 2.00	15.00	70.00
blotches 4.00	30.00		Mrs. Krelage—Fiery red, white throat, veined carmine and white. 5.0	0 40 00	
Variabilis—Blue-black flaked with pink, very odd 6.00	40.00		OCTOROON—A beautiful salmon-	40.00	
Wm. FalconerSpike of great length	40.00		pink; very distinct 4.0	30.00	140.00
and flowers of enormous size. Beautiful clear light pink 4.00	25.00		Prolific Pink—A good pink of remarkably free growth 1.0	o 8.00	25 00
Gandavensis.	, 33.00		REINE BLANCHE—Pure white,	3 0.00	35.00
Galida Velisis. Per	Per	Per	dark carmine blotch 3.0	25,00	115.00
IOO	1000	5000	SHAKESPEARE—White, very slightly suffused with carmine-		
AUGUSTA — Lovely pure white, with blue anthers\$2.00	\$15.06 \$	65.00	rose; large rosy blotch 6.00	50.00	
BRENCHLEYENSIS - Vermillion-			Thalia - White, flamed and streaked		
scarlet fine old variety 1.50 <b>EASTER GLADIOLUS</b> —(Mme Lemoin					\$12.00:
per 5000 \$50.00.	(e) — v e	ry earry,	white with remon tinge, per 100 \$1.50,	per 1000	φ12.00 1
OUR GRAND MIXED GLADIOLI.					
Our mixed Gladiolus are very fine indeed, being choice varieties only. All old and common ones have been discarded, and customers can depend upon having a large and magnificent variety of colors.					
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This is the ideal mixture for the florist who wants something extra fine for particular trade. Some of our best whites and pinks are used including "America." \$3.00 per 100; \$25.00 per 1000.					
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Childsi Mixed—First quality. Extra large a	and fine	flower.	Cannot be beat for garden planting. Con-	2 00	18 00
Childsi Mixed—Good quality, darker shades				1 50 1 50	12 00 10 00
Candavensis—All colors, mixed, first size, fi Popular Mixure—This is composed of good	sized bu	lbs, but	not all strictly first size, and a good range of all first or all second size	1 00	8 00
Superb Seedlings—These are extra fine, pro Our XXX Mixture—Just the stock for those y	ducing	the great	test possible range of colors	1.50	12 00
includes a good per cent of Childsi Hybrid	S			$\begin{array}{ccc} 2 & 00 \\ 1 & 00 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{ccc} 15 & 00 \\ 9 & 00 \end{array}$
Croff's Hybrids Mixed—First size, finest quality, Lemoine's Mixed—First size, first quality,	A splen	did rang	e of colors	1 50	10 00 12 00
Lemoine's Seedlings	C			1 50	12 00
Mixtures Under Separate Golors G. Gandevensis.					
These are very choice and absolutely true to color. We call special attention to our EXTRA WHITE and LIGHT. They are extra fine.					
Zxtra White and Light varieties, mixed, all	first clas	ss, best r	named sorts	. 2 50	20 00
White and Light varieties, mixed superb Scarlet and Red—Extra fine scarlet and red				-	12 00
Pink—Fine pink and rose shades			******************************	1.50	9 00 12 00
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Striped and Variegated—Extra fine	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	************************	2 50	20 00

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Scarlet, White Throat-Extra fine, mixed......